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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit this Information Disclosure Statement which includes a completed Form PTO -1449 and a copy of the International Search Report.

The International Search Report dated October 7, 1999, for the underlying PCT Application No. PCT/BE99/00076, identified the references listed on Form PTO-1449. Copies of these references are not being submitted with this Information Disclosure Statement as they were received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office as

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indicated in the Notification of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495, dated August 1, 2001. The degree of relevance for each reference listed on Form PTO-1449 is set forth in the International Search Report.

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